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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:
Public Affairs Office

January 17, 1985

Mr. Edgar F. Tatro
51 Edgemont Road
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Dear Mr. Tatro:

In response to your letter of Jan. 10, your query concerning Lee Harvey Oswald is not new to us; we receive at least one such query a year concerning Oswald's military language training.

We have no records that indicate that Lee Harvey Oswald was ever a student here. This question was thoroughly researched in the 1960's, and we can state positively that Oswald was never enrolled as a resident student at DLI.

No records have been destroyed, nor is there a repository elsewhere where such records might exist. Like any other academic institution, our registrar maintains the academic records of all past students, and there is no file for a Lee Harvey Oswald.

While purely conjecture on our part, there is the possibility that the books mentioned by Rankin were DLI nonresident self-study publications widely distributed and available at post libraries and education centers.

We thank you for your interest in the Defense Language Institute.

Sincerely,

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Public Affairs Officer